(b) The decision thus arrived at shall be binding on all members of the Provident Fund and shall be immediately enforceable.

Article 13

Amendment of Rules

- (a) The Management Committee may submit any proposals for an amendment to these rules to the Council of Ministers through the Head of Institution;
- (b) No amendment of these rules shall have the effect of permitting the payment or transfer of any part of the Provident Fund monies or investment to ECOWAS;
- (c) Such amendments shall enter into force upon approval by the Council of Ministers.

Article 14

Entry into Force

These rules shall enter into force upon adoption by the Council of Ministers.

DONE AT ABUJA THIS 25TH DAY OF JULY, 1996.

REGULATION C/REG. 11/7/96 AUTHORISING ECOWAS STAFF MEMBERS TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE BANQUE CENTRALE DES ETATS DE L'AFRIQUE DE L'OUEST (BCEAO) PENSION SCHEMES

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions;

MINDFUL of Article 58 of the ECOWAS Staff Regulations relating to the establishment of a superannuation scheme for the staff of community Institutions;

CONSIDERING the advantages of a pension scheme to staff proceeding on retirement;

AWARE that the Banque Centrale des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (BCEAO) has established the (BCEAO) Senior Staff Pension Fund (CRAAE) for its professional staff and the BCEAO supplementary pension scheme (RCPNC) for its non-professional staff;

AWARE also that the BCEAO had expressed its willingness to admit staff of the Community Institutions to its pension schemes;

ENACTS

Article 1

- Pending the establishment of an ECOWAS Pension scheme, staff of the Community, who wish to do so may join any of the two BCEAO pension schemes i.e., the BCEAO Senior Staff pension Fund (CRAAE) for professional staff and the BCEAO nonprofessional staff supplementary pension scheme (RCPNC) for general service and auxiliary staff.
- 2. The Executive Secretariat and the Fund shall negotiate with the BCEAO the modalities for subscription to the two pension schemes.

Article 2

The Regulation shall be published by the Executive Secretariat in the Official Journal of the Community thirty (30) days after its signature by the Chairman of Council.

It shall also be published within the same timeframe in the National Gazette of each Member State.

> DONE AT ABUJA, THIS 25TH DAY OF JULY, 1996

HON. KWAME PEPRAH CHAIRMAN, FOR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

REGULATION C/REG. 12/7/96 AMENDING REGULATION C/REG. 14/12/95 RELATING TO WEST AFRICA'S REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY

THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS,

MINDFUL of Articles 10, 11 and 12 of the Revised Treaty of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) establishing the Council of Ministers and defining its composition and functions; CONSIDERING that it would be difficult to implement immediately the provisions of Regulations C/REG. 14/12/95;

DESIROUS of accommodating all countries concerned;

ENACTS

Article 1

The implementation of Regulation C/REG. 14/12/95 adopted by the Council of Ministers at its thirtyeight Session held in Abuja from 11th to 13th December, 1995 is hereby deferred until the expiration of Mauritania's mandate in June, 1997.

Article 2

This Regulation shall be communicated by the Executive Secretariat to the Board of Directors of the Global Environment Facility and shall also publish it in the Official Journal of the Community thirty (30) days after its signature by the Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

It shall also be published within the same timeframe in the National Gazette of each Member State.

HON. KWAME PEPRAH CHAIRMAN, FOR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

DONE AT ABUJA, THIS 25TH DAY OF JULY, 1996